MINUTES OF APRIL 25th, 1921.

The Board of Public Works met at the office of the Board of Public Works in Baltimore, Union Trust Building, on Monday, April 25th, at 2:30 o'clock, p. m.

· Present:

Albert C. Ritchie, Governor, E. Brooke Lee, Comptroller, John M. Dennis, Treasurer.

The minutes of the meeting of April 18th were read and approved.

A Committee representing the Washington Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, headed by Mr. Dewitt Terpeau and Rev. E. S. Williams, 2344 McCulloh Street, and a number of the members of the Board of Managers of the Maryland Industrial Training School for Girls appeared before the Board of Public Works to discuss the proposed sale of the property at 1600 N. Carey Street, now occupied by the Maryland Industrial Training School for Girls. Mr. Terpeau and Rev. E. S. Williams explained that they represented an organization which desired to purchase the property for retired ministers, and for orphan colored children. After considering the matter fully, and obtaining the views of the members of the Board of Managers of the Maryland Industrial Training School for Girls, the Board of Public Works decided that if the property would be sold at all for the purposes outlined by the delegation, the price would be \$90,000.00, part of which must be paid at the time the contract would be entered into, and the balance at the time possession of the property would be given to the purchaser. There being a mortgage of \$18,000.00 on the property, the delegation was told that \$72,000.00 in cash would be required in addition to the purchaser assuming the mortgage. The Committee agreed to place this proposition before the Conference, and to ask for authority to purchase the property on the terms outlined above. The Governor announced that the Board desired to make an investigation of the conditions in the neighborhood in which the property was located before deciding whether it should be sold for the purposes desired by the committee.

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Dr. A. F. Woods, President of the <u>University of Maryland</u>, and Mr. S. M. Shoemaker, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, submitted bids, plans and specifications for the erection of a dormitory to house 132 men, one Home Management House providing quarters for 15 women, and the necessary enlargement of the main heating plant and accessories, an appropriation for which purposes having been made by Chapter 727 of the Acts of 1920, providing for the sale of bonds. The following letter was submitted:-

"In re. Buildings at College Park:

Dear Sir:-

There were in all twelve bids submitted on this work. They ranged from the figure herewith submitted up to One Hundred and seventy thousand, three hundred and fifty-nine dollars.

This Board recommends that the contract for the erection of the buildings and other work at College Park be awarded to the Consolidated Engineering Company on the terms and conditions more fully set forth in the copy of contract and specifications herewith.

These call for the erection of a dormitory to house one hundred and thirty-two men, one Home Management House that will provide quarters for fifteen women and the necessary enlargement of the main heating plant and accessories.

The contract provides that the total cost of all the work on

and in connection with the above buildings shall not exceed \$125,686.00 plus a bonus of \$50.00 per day for every day less than six months and a forfeit of \$50.00 per day for every day over six months required to complete the work. - Should the actual cost of all the work including a fee of \$9,500.00 to the contractor be less than the guaranteed cost of \$125,686.00, then this saving is to accrue 75 percent to the College and 25 percent to the contractor.

Respectfully.

(Signed) S. M. Shoemaker, Ch.

Philip B. Perlman, Esq. Secretary, Board of Public Works, Annapolis, Maryland."

The Board approved the awarding of the contract to the Consolidated Engineering Company at a total cost not to exceed \$125,686.00, plus a bonus provided for in the contract.

The Board discussed the application for the payment of interest on claims owed to H. D. Watts and others for work done for the <u>University of Maryland</u>, and it was agreed that the payment of the interest would be approved by the Board upon a statement to be submitted by Dr. Woods of the amounts due, and to whom owed..

The Board approved the payment of the following bills by the Secretary:

April 21, 1921: Rent of Baltimore Offices (May) Board of Public Works -----State Auditor -----Bank Commissioner -----

231.25 105.82 169.58 105.82

Board State Aid and Charities ---Advisory Board of Parole -----75.00 State Plumbing Board ------State Board of Health -----50.00 125.00 State Board of Health ----- 125.00 Central Purchasing Bureau ---- 166.66

\$1,029.13

Contingent Fund.

2.00

There being no further business, the Board adjourned.

Secretary to the Board.